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Location

1. The Atomic Research Institute at Vinca¹ is located 20 kilometers southeast of Belgrade between the main road to Smederevo and the Danube River.

Physical Layout

2. The Institute has 30 buildings which are grouped around the main research station. The main research station has the following sections:
 - a. Administrative section;
 - b. Chemical research laboratory;
 - c. Physics research laboratory; and
 - d. Library.
3. The other buildings contain the following:
 - a. Quarters for the staff who are all resident;
 - b. Recreation rooms;
 - c. Dining rooms;
 - d. A clinic; and
 - e. A swimming pool.

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4. The entire project was built after the war under the direction of Dr. Pavle Savic, formerly a pupil of Madame Joliot-Curie.

Personnel

5. The following are the leading staff members:
- a. Stefan Dedijer². Director;
 - b. Dragica Arseniovic Head of the Physics section; and
 - c. Pavle Savic³. Head of the Chemical section.
6. There are also 21 qualified research assistants, many of whom received their training at the University of Belgrade and the University of Zagreb. All have taken courses at nuclear research institutes abroad.

Equipment

7. The equipment at the Institute is all imported [redacted]

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Construction of an Atomic Pile

8. There is an atomic pile under construction, but the work has been suspended because the United States will not allow the sale of certain equipment needed for the construction, since the equipment has been classified as not for sale to a Communist country. The construction of the atomic pile is under the direction of Dragica Arseniovic.

Security

9. Special precautions have been taken to prevent the leakage of secrets from the Institute. The UDB maintains a permanent staff at the Institute to check on all experiments and on the records and behavior of the personnel.
10. No one is allowed to leave the premises unless authorized by the director and given a special pass. There is also a special pass issued to personnel who are allowed to enter the Institute.

Comments

2. In February 1952, Dedijer toured nuclear institutes [redacted]

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[redacted] In June 1952, he represented Yugoslavia at the Council of European Atomic Experts [redacted] In October 1952, he represented Yugoslavia at the European Council for Nuclear Research [redacted] He is also a member of the Yugoslav National Commission to UNESCO.

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3. Pavle Savic also toured European nuclear institutes with Dedijer. In addition to his training [redacted] it has been reported that he also trained in Russia.

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